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LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT IN RELATION TO HOSPITAL SERVICES.

By the Local Government (Scotland) Act parish councils, district boards of control, district committees, and education authorities are abolished and their functions transferred to the county councils and town councils of the larger burghs (over 20,000 population). Property, including hospitals, belonging to the abolished bodies is also transferred. Section 14 of the Act requires each town council and county council, on or before March 31st, 1930, to prepare and submit to the Secretary of State for Scotland, for his approval, a scheme of administrative arrangements for discharging the various functions of the council, and any scheme may, and if the Secretary of State so requires shall, provide for the appointment of committees for the purposes of any functions. Further, a scheme may provide that any assistance (defined for this purpose as the maintenance and treatment of sick persons) which might be provided, either by way of poor relief or any enactments other than the Poor Law Acts, shall be provided exclusively under the enactments other than the Poor Law Acts and not by way of poor relief.

It is thus possible for a council to transfer the treatment of considerable sections of persons who at present are treated under the Poor Law to other treatment schemes unrelated to the Poor Law—for example, maternity and child welfare, examination and treatment of school children—in connexion with which the councils have powers to make institutional provision. The extent to which councils will avail themselves of this power is at present a matter of surmise, but it may be assumed that the tendency will be in the direction indicated in the section, and that such influence as the central department may possess will also be exercised in that direction. Possibilities of much wider development, however, are indicated in Section 27, by the terms of which it becomes lawful for county councils and town councils to provide, furnish, and maintain hospitals for the accommodation of sick persons residing within their area, and for this purpose may utilize any buildings belonging to them, or may build new hospitals, or may contract with the managers of any hospital. This power becomes operative only through a scheme or schemes which must be submitted for the approval of the Department of Health, and a scheme under this section may be one of three types—namely:

(*a*) A scheme for the reorganization of the hospital facilities at the disposal of the council with a view to the provision of treatment for sick persons residing within their area;

(*b*) A scheme for the extension of such facilities; and

(*c*) A joint scheme of two or more councils whereby one of the councils may provide hospital facilities for the sick persons residing within the area of the other councils.

Before giving approval to a scheme under (*a*) the department shall have regard to any other facilities for treatment, including those provided by any voluntary hospital. Before approving a scheme under (*b*) or (*c*) the department shall satisfy themselves by inquiry that hospital accommodation provided by voluntary hospitals or other institutions is not reasonably adequate for the needs of the inhabitants of the area, and that the council have taken reasonable steps to seek and to continue to secure full co-operation with every voluntary hospital, university, or medical school within or serving the area of the council.

Councils are not required expressly to publish their schemes before submitting them for approval or to consult with any specified body or committee, though they must, obviously, before embarking upon any scheme of extension, enter into communication by some means with the voluntary hospitals, the universities, and the medical schools. Similarly there is no obligation upon the department to consult; but there is the general requirement that they shall satisfy themselves by inquiry, etc. It is probable that a formal public inquiry is not intended, but it can hardly be doubted that the department and the councils will be ready to receive and consider suggestions and criticisms put forward from any authoritative source, and already machinery is being devised for presenting such authoritative opinion.

Since the publication of the Report on the Hospitals Services of Scotland, issued by the Departmental Committee of the Board of Health in 1926, which grouped Scottish hospitals into five regions centred on the four university towns and Inverness, it has been generally recognized that the development of hospital facilities in Scotland should be related to the needs of those regions, and indication has been given that the policy of the Department of Health favours development of hospital provision under the Act along regional lines. Recognizing this tendency, and in furtherance of the policy of co-operation commended in the above report, the British Hospitals Association, in 1928, established Regional Committees of the Voluntary Hospitals in each of the five regions, to explore the needs of their areas and consider the possibility of co-operation among the voluntary hospitals themselves, and also of co-operation between the voluntary hospitals and the statutory authorities. A central Liaison Committee was also appointed to form a link between the Regional Committees and the Board of Health. In March of this year this Liaison Committee was given official status by a minute, issued by the Secretary of State for Scotland, appointing a committee of eight members, presided over by the Hon. Lord Mackenzie, "to act in liaison between the Department of Health and the Regional Committees of Voluntary Hospitals in Scotland, to assist in keeping the department in touch with voluntary hospital opinion and the development of hospital services in Scotland, and to foster co-operation between the voluntary hospitals and the local authorities in each region."

The Scottish Committee of the British Medical Association being of opinion that in this matter of hospital provision

there is a professional view which is entitled to be considered, decided to set up Regional Professional Committees and a Central Professional Committee corresponding to the committees above-mentioned, and for this purpose has convened meetings of the Branch Councils concerned and the staffs of voluntary hospitals in four of the five regions. At each of these meetings it was unanimously resolved to set up Representative Professional Committees, and steps are being taken to elect them. It will be a function of those committees, when elected, to get into touch with the Regional Committees of the hospitals, local authorities, and the Department of Health, and to discuss with them and to represent to them the professional view on any schemes which may be proposed for the development and extension of hospital provision in the regions.

British Medical Association.

CURRENT NOTES.

Annual Dinner of the Association.

THE Annual Dinner of the British Medical Association will be held in the Free Trade Hall, Manchester, on Thursday, July 25th, at 7.15 p.m. The dinner will be open to ladies and lay guests, and it is likely that the number present will be large. The price of the ticket is 15s. (exclusive of wines), and, as the tickets will bear the number of a table and of a seat, it is particularly requested that those who wish to sit together or make up parties will arrange this before application, as it will be impossible to alter seating at a later date. Application, accompanied by remittance, should be made to the honorary secretary of the Dinner and Luncheon Committee, Mr. R. L. Newell, 2, St. John Street, Manchester.

Spa Practitioners Group: Annual Conference.

The attention of members of the Spa Practitioners Group of the British Medical Association is drawn to the fact that the annual conference of this Group will be held during the course of the Annual Meeting at Manchester on Wednesday, July 24th, at 2.30 p.m. Every member of the Association who regularly prescribes the mineral waters or baths of the spa in which he resides, or who is on the staff of a hospital or clinic where the use of local mineral waters is part of the routine treatment, is *ipso facto* a member of the Group.

Contract Practice in New Zealand.

It appears from letters which have reached the Head Office of the Association in London that the Wellington United Friendly Societies' Medical Institute is making special efforts to obtain doctors from this country to go out to New Zealand to take up appointments under its aegis. The institute pays its doctors a salary and permits them to do private practice as well. The rates charged by the institute to its members are far below the contract rates approved by the profession in New Zealand. From this it is obvious that doctors taking these appointments are hitting their colleagues in two ways: they are doing contract work at a much cheaper rate than the local doctors will accept, and, subsidized by their salary, they are able to compete with them in private practice on much more favourable terms. This fight in New Zealand is not unlike that which the British Medical Association has been waging for many years and with great success in the mining areas of South Wales. Members of the profession who value the co-operation of their colleagues and have a proper regard for the status of their profession are strongly advised to give these appointments a wide berth. As will be seen, they appear on the list headed Important Notices in our advertising columns. It should not be overlooked that there are plenty of competent doctors in New Zealand who would accept these posts if they met with the general approval of the profession.

Association Notices.

BRANCH AND DIVISION MEETINGS TO BE HELD.

ABERDEEN BRANCH.—The annual summer meeting of the Aberdeen Branch will be held at Strathdon, at the house of the president, Dr. Howie, on Wednesday, June 19th, at 3.30 p.m. Business: Election of vice-president, in place of Professor Mackintosh, resigned. Communication from Branch Council *re* Regional Professional Committee. On the completion of the business meeting Dr. Howie will entertain the members to tea. Thereafter, an excursion will be made to Kildrummy, under the guidance of Dr. W. Douglas Simpson. 6.30 p.m., dinner in the Colquhounie Arms Hotel, Strathdon. Tickets, 5s. (exclusive of wines).

BORDER COUNTIES BRANCH.—The fifty-eighth annual general meeting of the Border Counties Branch will be held at the County and Station Hotel, Carlisle, to-day (Friday, June 14th), at 4 p.m. The Branch Council will meet at 3.30 to elect office-bearers and for other business. Agenda: Branch Council report and financial statement; report of election of office-bearers for 1929–30. Dr. C. W. Graham will deliver his presidential address, entitled "A retrospect of medical practice through forty years." The president invites all present to take tea with him.

DUNDEE BRANCH.—An ordinary meeting of the Dundee Branch will be held in the Medical School, Small's Wynd, Dundee, on Tuesday, June 25th, at 8.30 p.m. In view of the importance of the agenda it is hoped that there will be a large attendance. Agenda: Consider question of the adoption of resolution on the Scottish scale of minimum commencing salaries for medical officers of health discussed at the last meeting of the Branch (May 8th). Instruct Representative at the Annual Representative Meeting, Manchester.

EDINBURGH BRANCH.—The annual meeting of the Edinburgh Branch will be held at Innerleithen, on Wednesday, June 19th. Lunch will be served at the Traquair Arms at 12.30 p.m. (charge, 3s. 6d.). At 1.30 p.m., by the courtesy of the Innerleithen Golf Club, there will be a stroke competition for the Guthrie cup (green fee, 1s.). Permission has been obtained from Lord Glenconner to visit "The Glen" and fish in Loch Eddy, from Mr. Maxwell Stuart to visit the grounds of Traquair House, and from Mr. J. K. Ballantyne to see over Tweedvale Mill. At 4.30 p.m. Dr. and Mrs. Fairfax will entertain members and guests to tea at the Traquair Arms. The business meeting will take place in the hall of the U.F. Church at 5 p.m.

HERTFORDSHIRE BRANCH.—The Hertfordshire Branch golf handicap competition will take place at the West Herts golf course, Watford, on Wednesday, June 19th, at noon. Names of those desiring to enter should be sent at once to Dr. Varian, Thornborough House, Clarendon Road, Watford.

KENT BRANCH: DARTFORD DIVISION.—A scientific meeting of the Dartford Division will be held at Erith District Hospital, on Wednesday, June 19th, at 8.15 p.m. Dr. Geoffrey Bourne will give a lecture on some clinical aspects of cardiac pain.

LANCASHIRE AND CHESHIRE BRANCH.—The ninety-second annual meeting of the Lancashire and Cheshire Branch will be held at the invitation of the Preston Division at the Town Hall, Preston, on Thursday, June 20th, at 2.30 p.m. It will be preceded by a luncheon at the Bull Hotel, Church Street, at 1 p.m. Agenda: Report of the Branch Council and financial statement, induction of president, election of officers, votes of thanks to retiring officers, place of next annual meeting. At 3.15 p.m. there will be golf at the Preston Golf Club and the president will present a prize for the best net return for 18 holes. Visits will be paid to Rufford Old Hall, the new electric power station, the Preston Royal Infirmary, and the Harris Museum. Inasmuch as the Division is entertaining members to lunch and is arranging for the provision of private cars for the excursions it is particularly requested that members proposing to attend will notify the Division Secretary, Dr. Sykes, 28, Winckley Square, Preston, by June 15th.

LANCASHIRE AND CHESHIRE BRANCH: WARRINGTON DIVISION.—A meeting of the Warrington Division will be held at the Insurance Committee's offices, 73, Sankey Street, to-day (Friday, June 14th), at 9.30 p.m.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH.—The annual general meeting of the Metropolitan Counties Branch will be held at the British Medical Association House, Tavistock Square, W.C.1, on Friday, June 21st, at 4.30 p.m. Business: (1) Report of scrutineers as to the election of officers; (2) Annual Report of Council; (3) report of representatives of the Branch on Central Council; (4) presidential address by Dr. Harold S. Beadles on the conditions under which medical practice will be conducted in the near future.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: LEWISHAM DIVISION.—A meeting of medical practitioners residing in Lewisham will be held at the Town Hall, Catford, S.E., on Tuesday, June 18th, at 8.45 p.m. Agenda: Nomination for two Direct Representatives on the General Medical Council, November, 1929. Paper by Mr. J. E. R. McDonagh, F.R.C.S., The Nature of Disease.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: WILLESDEN DIVISION.—A meeting of the Willesden Division will be held at the Park Royal Hospital to-day (Friday, June 14th), at 3.15 p.m. The medical superintendent, Dr. W. E. Turner, will demonstrate cases.

MIDLAND BRANCH: KESTEVEN DIVISION.—The annual meeting of the Kesteven Division will be held at the Abbey House, Grantham, to-day (Friday, June 14th), at 3 p.m. Business: Election of officers for ensuing year. Annual Report of Council.

NORTHERN COUNTIES OF SCOTLAND BRANCH.—The annual meeting of the Northern Counties of Scotland Branch will be held at Nairn on Wednesday, June 26th.

NORTH OF ENGLAND BRANCH: CONSETT DIVISION.—The annual meeting of the Consett Division will be held in the Imperial Hotel, Stanley, on Wednesday, June 19th, at 8 p.m.

SOUTHERN BRANCH: JERSEY DIVISION.—A meeting of the Jersey Division will be held at the General Hospital on Thursday, June 20th, at 8.30 p.m. Lieut.-Colonel P. J. Marrett will read a paper on the administration of public health in Jersey.

SOUTHERN BRANCH: PORTSMOUTH DIVISION.—A business meeting of the Portsmouth Division will be held on Thursday, June 20th, at 9.30 p.m., at Dr. Philip Green's residence, 365, Commercial Road, Portsmouth. Agenda: Nominations for two representatives on the General Medical Council. Recommendations and motions for the Annual Representative Meeting and instruction of Representatives.

SOUTH WALES AND MONMOUTHSHIRE BRANCH.—The fifty-ninth annual meeting of the South Wales and Monmouthshire Branch will be held at the Cawdor Arms Hotel, Llandilo, on Thursday, June 20th, at 3 p.m. Agenda: Correspondence; annual report of Council and balance sheet for year 1928; election of president and officers for 1929-30; installation of new president; presidential address by Dr. David Phillips, "In Past Times." At the conclusion of the meeting members will be entertained to tea at the Drill Hall, at 4 p.m., by invitation of the town council. It is proposed to arrange a visit to one or more places of interest in the neighbourhood.

SURREY BRANCH.—The annual meeting of the Surrey Branch will be held in the Guildhall, Guildford, on Wednesday, June 26th, at 2.15 p.m. The Guildford Division invites members to lunch at the Lion Hotel, Guildford, at 1 p.m. After the meeting members will motor to St. Nicholas and St. Martin's Hospital, Pyrford, where Mr. Rowley Bristow will give a demonstration on the treatment of surgical tuberculosis. The annual dinner will be held at the Lion Hotel, Guildford, at 6.30 p.m. (charge 7s., exclusive of wine).

SUSSEX BRANCH: BRIGHTON DIVISION.—A meeting of the Brighton Division will be held at the Royal Sussex County Hospital, Brighton, on Thursday, June 20th.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND HEREFORDSHIRE BRANCH.—The summer meeting of the Worcestershire and Herefordshire Branch will be held at the Worcester General Infirmary, on Thursday, June 20th, at 3 p.m. Agenda: Election of (*a*) president of Branch 1930-31 (from among the members of the Hereford Division); (*b*) honorary secretary and treasurer for the Branch; (*c*) Branch Council; installation of president for 1929-30. Dr. Thomas E. Hincks will give his presidential address entitled "A review of thirty years of maternity practice in a rural area." Short clinical cases or papers.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND HEREFORDSHIRE BRANCH: HEREFORD DIVISION.—The annual meeting of the Hereford Division will be held at 1a, St. John Street, Hereford, on Wednesday, June 19th, at 3.30 p.m.

TABLE OF DATES.

June 20, Thurs.	Meetings of Constituencies must be held between this date and July 19th, to instruct Representatives.
June 29, Sat.	Supplementary Report of Council appears in *Supplement*.
July 5, Wed.	Amendments and riders for inclusion in A.R.M. agenda must be received at Head Office by this date.
July 19, Fri.	*Annual Representative Meeting*, Manchester. Nominations for election of 12 members of Council by grouped Representatives must be received (at A.R.M., Manchester) by this date.
July 20, Sat.	*Annual Representative Meeting*, Manchester.
July 22, Mon.	*Council*, Manchester. *Annual Representative Meeting*, Manchester.
July 23, Tues.	*Annual Representative Meeting*, Manchester. Annual General Meeting, Manchester, President's Address.
July 24, Wed.	*Council*, Manchester. Conference of Honorary Secretaries, Manchester. Meetings of Sections, etc., Manchester.
July 25, Thurs.	Meetings of Sections, etc., Manchester.
July 26, Fri.	Meetings of Sections, etc., Manchester.

ALFRED COX, *Medical Secretary*.

Meetings of Branches and Divisions.

EDINBURGH BRANCH: EDINBURGH AND LEITH DIVISION.

THE annual meeting of the Edinburgh and Leith Division was held in the British Medical Association House, 7, Drumsheugh Gardens, on May 13th. Dr. C. M. PEARSON, chairman of the Division, presided, and twenty-two members attended.

The following office-bearers for 1929-30 were elected:

Chairman, Dr. C. M. Pearson. *Past Chairman*, Dr. J. D. Comrie. *Vice-Chairman*, Dr. J. M. Bowie. *Secretary and Treasurer*, Dr. John Hunter. *Assistant Secretary*, Dr. W. A. Alexander *Representatives in Representative Body*, Dr. John Stevens, Dr. John Hunter, Dr. Robert Thin, Mr. David Lees, D.S.O., and Dr. James Young, D.S.O. *Deputy Representatives in Representative Body*, Dr. Malcolm MacNicol, Dr. F. K. Kerr, Dr. H. G. Langwill, Mr. W. A. Cochrane, and Dr. Francis Redhead. *One Member holding Whole-time Public Health Appointment*, Dr. Y. T. Finlay.

The Annual Report of Council was considered, and all the recommendations therein were approved.

Dr. STEVENS referred to the new regulations with regard to dangerous drugs, and pointed out that they caused considerable inconvenience and dissatisfaction. The matter was referred to the Executive to consider and report to the next Division meeting.

The SECRETARY read letters from the Scottish Committee referring to (*a*) the Local Government (Scotland) Act, and (*b*) minimum salaries for public health appointments.

A letter from Dr. Cox with reference to approaching candidates for parliamentary election was also read. It was agreed that the secretary should write to the candidates in the area of the Division in terms of the letter suggested by headquarters, and enclose a copy of the memorandum referred to therein.

Mr. DAVID LEES gave the interim report of the subcommittee on the Local Government (Scotland) Act.

The Division agreed to the principle of having a committee formed, representative of all sections of the profession in Edinburgh, to watch procedure carried through locally by the health authority, but decided to leave its actual composition until after the special meeting called by the Scottish Committee to consider the appointment of a Regional Professional Committee. It was agreed that Mr. Struthers and Dr. Thin should be asked to approach informally the presidents and members of Council of the Royal Colleges in Edinburgh, and communicate the views of the Division.

The Graduands Reception Subcommittee was reappointed, with the addition of Dr. Tait, with powers to carry out the necessary arrangements.

FIFE BRANCH.

THE last clinical meeting of the session of the Fife Branch was held in the Maternity Home, Kirkcaldy, on May 9th, when Dr. J. F. FLEMING, president, was in the chair.

Dr. D. ELLIOT DICKSON, in a paper on the effect of underground work on miners, pointed out that from the Registrar-General's returns the death rate in coal-miners up to the age of 55 was well below that of all other occupied males; after that age it was much higher, and no satisfactory explanation of that anomaly had ever been adduced. He described the results of a careful investigation with his brother, Dr. Arnott Dickson, into the condition of the circulatory apparatus in 500 healthy miners. The chief result of that inquiry was the discovery of an extraordinary prevalence of thickening of the palpable arteries (no fewer than 456 out of the 500 having radial arteries which were distinctly thickened), combined with a normal or low blood pressure. Photomicrographs of sections of such arteries, obtained from cases of fatal accidents, were shown on the screen; these proved the thickening to be confined to the intima, a condition which, according to the speaker, had not hitherto been described. After discussing the causes of arterio-sclerosis and its relation to blood pressure, Dr. Dickson included his cases in Clifford Allbutt's toxic group, the characteristics of which were thickened arteries with a normal or low blood pressure. In searching for a toxic cause he had investigated various factors, such as the amount of meat eaten daily, tobacco consumed, and alcohol absorbed. None of these proved of significance in explaining the conditions described. It was only when the cases were tabulated in relation to the length of time worked in the mines that a possible cause was suggested, and he showed tables which apparently proved that the amount of arterial thickening was almost in direct proportion to the number of years worked underground. The interesting suggestion was made that the proportionately very large percentage of CO_2 in air underground (due to the oxidation of wood and coal), being one of the few known factors constant to all the cases, might have a determining influence in the causation of the arterial thickening. In any case, the speaker was of opinion that this arterio-sclerosis, with its subsequent results in general nutrition, accounted for the increased mortality of coal-miners after the age of 55.

The CHAIRMAN proposed a cordial vote of thanks to Dr. Dickson for his paper, and emphasized the value of such work, not only because of its scientific interest, but also as an example of how a certain amount of research work might be performed by the general practitioner.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: SOUTH-WEST ESSEX DIVISION.

AN enjoyable meeting was held at Claybury Mental Hospital on May 14th. Dr. BARHAM, medical superintendent, first conducted members round the new hospital for less acute cases, to which the test for admission was whether the patient was fully conscious of his surroundings. If not, treatment in a ward for acute cases did no harm. Tea was then served.

Dr. K. H. Douglas was appointed representative and Dr. Margaret Robertson deputy representative in the Representative Body. Dr. PANTING introduced the Annual Report of Council, dealing particularly with the ophthalmic service, Poor Law reform, and encroachments on the sphere of private practice by the activities of local authorities and hospitals. Discussion centred mainly on the last. No motion or amendment was brought forward.

A discussion followed on how best to arouse the interest of members of the Division in British Medical Association matters. It was felt that in future a date ought to be set apart for the discussion of the Annual Report of Council alone.

The secretary was instructed to send the thanks of the Division to Drs. Norman and Macgregor for arranging the Division stage of the Treasurer's Cup golf competition, and to congratulate Dr. Douglas on winning it.

Dr. BARHAM subsequently exhibited an interesting series of cases, particular attention being drawn to certain patients showing organic lesions associated with psychoses. Dr. MARSH demonstrated recent work on the depression of the respiratory centre in mental cases. Dr. RAMSAY showed a case of stupor associated with endocrine disturbance.

MIDLAND BRANCH: DERBY DIVISION.

THE annual meeting of the Derby Division was held at the Derbyshire Royal Infirmary on May 14th, when nineteen members were present, and one visitor.

The following officers were elected for 1929-30:

Chairman, Mr. F. L. A. Greaves, O.B.E. *Vice-Chairman*, Dr. H. A. Mason. *Honorary Secretary and Treasurer*, Dr. J. A. Watt. *Charities Secretary*,

Dr. Charles E. Potter. *Representatives in Representative Body*, Drs. J. A. Watt and C. H. Bamford.

It was unanimously agreed to support the candidature of Sir Richard Luce as member of Parliament for Derby borough. Consideration was given to the Annual Report of Council, and it was agreed to give general support to the recommendations. Dr. POTTER dealt with maternity and child welfare work, Dr. LESCHER with the hospital policy, and the SECRETARY with the Local Government Act, 1929. The financial statement for 1928 was approved.

NORTHERN COUNTIES OF SCOTLAND BRANCH: BANFF, MORAY, AND NAIRN DIVISION.

AT the annual meeting of the Banff, Moray, and Nairn Division, held in Gray's Hospital, Elgin, on May 11th, the following were elected office-bearers for the current year:

Chairman, Dr. J. Stephen. *Vice-Chairman*, Dr. W. L. Beaton. *Secretary and Treasurer*, Dr. Annie E. M'Leod. *Representative in Representative Body*, Dr. Murray. *Deputy Representative in Representative Body*, Dr. Walker.

It was agreed to levy a flat rate contribution of five shillings per member as the Division contribution to the B.M.A. Charities scheme.

The CHAIRMAN, in speaking of the loss sustained by the Division through death of Dr. Ferguson (Banff), one of the original members of the Division, Dr. G. D. Campbell, and Dr. G. Smith Sowden, referred to their many activities on behalf of the profession; letters of condolence were directed to be sent to the widows.

The annual report and financial statement were approved.

A confidential letter from the army authorities was read, and after discussion it was agreed that in the event of necessity the Division would do all it could to help.

SOUTH WALES AND MONMOUTHSHIRE BRANCH.

A SOCIAL meeting of the South Wales and Monmouthshire Branch at Porthcawl, Glam., on May 16th in beautiful weather, proved the most successful yet held by the Branch. At 3.30 p.m. Professor D. P. D. WILKIE delivered a British Medical Association Lecture, taking as his subject the gall-bladder in relation to focal infection. A large number of medical men from all parts of South Wales and Monmouthshire attended and enjoyed a most instructive and interesting lecture, which was illustrated by a number of lantern slides.

At the conclusion of the meeting members and lady friends, to the number of over one hundred and sixty, were entertained to tea by the Swansea Division. On the motion of Dr. E. E. BRIERLEY, seconded by Dr. W. W. JONES, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Division for their hospitality; Dr. A. F. SLADDEN, chairman of the Swansea Division, replied.

A large party afterwards proceeded to Margam, where they were met by Mr. H. E. David and escorted over the famous abbey ruins and church, where Mr. DAVID gave a short historical address.

SUFFOLK BRANCH: WEST SUFFOLK DIVISION.

THE annual golf competition of the West Suffolk Division was held at Worlington on May 16th. The players were Drs. F. R. Barwell, B. E. A. Batt, J. D. Batt, W. F. Bennett, H. M. Bird, E. C. T. Clouston, J. W. E. Cory, E. C. Hardwicke, M. O'Leary, C. Tylor, H. H. Stiff, H. A. Ware, and Colonel A. D. Waring. The cup was won by Dr. W. F. Bennett, one down to bogey. Dr. E. C. Hardwicke was runner-up, two down.

SURREY BRANCH: GUILDFORD DIVISION.

AN ordinary meeting of the Guildford Division was held at the Royal Surrey County Hospital, Guildford, on May 1st, when Dr. W. L. R. FLEMING was in the chair.

Dr. Arnold Lyndon and Dr. G. M. Bluett were elected representatives in the Representative Body, and Dr. James McGlashan and Dr. G. A. Clarkson deputy representatives.

Dr. JAMES NEAL contributed an interesting paper on medical defence, which was much appreciated.

SUSSEX BRANCH: HASTINGS DIVISION.

A MEETING of the Hastings Division was held at the Buchanan Hospital on May 7th. Sir HENRY GAUVAIN, in an address on combined treatment and education for physically defective children, gave a historical survey of the plight of the physically defective child, and outlined the evolution of the hospital school. A series of beautiful lantern slides illustrated what was being done at the Lord Mayor Treloar Cripples' Hospitals to relieve the burden of some of the 100,000 cripples of this country. Every phase of their treatment and education was clearly explained. A discussion followed, after which a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Sir Henry Gauvain.

YORKSHIRE BRANCH: WAKEFIELD, PONTEFRACT, AND CASTLEFORD DIVISION.

THE annual meeting of the Wakefield, Pontefract, and Castleford Division was held at the Stratford Arms Hotel, Wakefield, on Thursday, May 9th, when Dr. H. SCHOLEFIELD was in the chair and twenty-two members were present.

The HONORARY SECRETARY read a letter in reply to the letter of sympathy sent to Dr. Hillman upon his recent indisposition. He also reported having taken action as suggested by headquarters in circularizing candidates for Parliament, and stated that he had a few satisfactory replies.

The following officers were elected:

Chairman, Dr. H. Scholefield. *Vice-Chairman*, Mr. G. W. Thomas. *Honorary Secretary and Treasurer*, Dr. N. S. Twist. *Representative in Representative Body*, Dr. T. Walker. *Deputy Representatives in Representative Body*, Drs. H. Scholefield and G. B. Hillman.

The SECRETARY read the annual report of the Executive Committee, which dealt with the activities of the Division during the past year, and made a further appeal for better attendances at meetings. It was decided to make a further appeal towards the voluntary fund, the balance of which was only sufficient to pay the usual expenses towards the representative for this year.

Dr. W. STEVEN gave a very interesting and clear résumé of the Annual Report of Council.

Dr. J. R. KAYE gave a short, well-thought-out address, giving as far as possible in the time the administrative schemes in the Local Government Act, 1929. He strongly urged the Division to form a special committee, which should make itself thoroughly conversant with the points of the Act and should be in a position to act as an advisory medical committee.

In the subsequent discussion Drs. GIBSON, LISTER, SCHOLEFIELD, STEVEN, and TWIST took part. It was resolved to deal with this question at an early date.

YORKSHIRE BRANCH: YORK DIVISION.

THE annual meeting of the York Division was held in the York Medical Society's Room, on May 11th, when Dr. N. C. FORSYTH was in the chair.

Arising out of the minutes, the HONORARY SECRETARY reported that the Executive Committee had appointed a subcommittee consisting of Drs. Macdonald, McNaught, Hughes, and himself to consider the constitution and activities of the proposed Medical Liaison Committee of the York Division, and to report to the Executive Committee. This subcommittee recommended that the following bodies should be represented on the Liaison Subcommittee, with the number of representatives in brackets: Local Medical and Panel Committee (3), of whom it is desirable that one should be a non-insurance practitioner; York Medical Society (2); Medical Board of County Hospital (2); Dispensary medical staff (1); medical officer of health; assistant medical officer of health, school medical officer, and inspector of midwives; the consultant medical officer of York Maternity Hospital; medical staff of York Infant Welfare Centre (1); Venereal Diseases Clinic medical officer and medical officer of Poor Law Infirmary (1); Poor Law medical officers (1); direct representatives from the Division (4)—the chairman, the honorary secretary, and two others. On the motion of Dr. MACDONALD, seconded by Dr. HUGHES, the meeting unanimously confirmed the constitution of the Liaison Subcommittee, and it was agreed to leave the appointment of the four direct representatives of the Division to the Executive Committee.

The HONORARY SECRETARY reported that after consultation with the headmaster of St. Peter's School, it had been decided by the Executive Committee that the British Medical Association Science Prize for St. Peter's School should be in the form of a medal, and that Dr. McNaught and himself had been appointed as a subcommittee to complete arrangements. The first medal would be ready for presentation at the annual prizegiving at the school this year. The honorary secretary also stated that the Executive Committee had appointed the chairman and secretary of the Division for the time being trustees for the Fund, which had been invested with Barclays Bank Limited.

The report of the honorary secretary for 1928, which had already been circulated to members and passed by the Executive Committee, was, on the motion of Dr. REYNOLDS, seconded by Dr. GOSTLING, unanimously approved.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Chairman, Dr. P. R. McNaught. *Vice-Chairman*, Dr. J. N. F. Fergusson. *Honorary Secretary*, Dr. J. C. Lyth. *Assistant Honorary Secretary*, Dr. H. E. King Reynolds. *Representative in Representative Body*, Dr. P. Macdonald. *Deputy Representative in Representative Body*, Dr. J. C. Lyth. *Honorary Secretary of Charities Committee*, Dr. W. A. Evelyn.

Dr. McNaught, after being invested with the badge of office, succeeded Dr. Forsyth in the chair.

The meeting considered the Annual Report of Council in a preliminary way, deferring complete consideration to a later date. Dr. MACDONALD, as a matter of urgency, introduced a discussion as to the steps to be taken to influence the York City Council in the matter of Poor Law reform as regards the medical aspects under the new law. He mentioned that both he and Dr. Lyth had already interviewed the chairman of the Health Committee, who had suggested that the town clerk should be asked to invite representatives of the medical profession to a conference on the matter. Dr. Macdonald proposed that the honorary secretary should forthwith write to the town clerk on these lines, and that he should inform him of the formation of the Medical Liaison Subcommittee, which would be a suitable body to appoint representatives of the whole profession locally. The medical officer of health supported this proposition, and explained some of the problems which would have to be dealt with, and especially in York the question of the control of the Poor Law institution.

The motion was carried unanimously, the honorary secretary being also instructed, in the event of a favourable reply, to call a meeting of the Liaison Subcommittee if in being, and otherwise of the Executive Committee, to appoint the representatives.

It was decided that the discussion on the hospital policy of the Association should be opened by Dr. Macdonald (representing the hospital staffs) and Dr. King Reynolds (representing the general practitioners).

GENERAL COUNCIL
OF
MEDICAL EDUCATION AND REGISTRATION.

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The Pharmacopoeia Commission.

SIR DONALD MACALISTER brought forward the report of the Pharmacopoeia Committee, which embodied a report from the Pharmacopoeia Commission. It was stated that the Commission was at present meeting weekly, and up to date had held thirteen meetings. It had drawn up lists of suggested omissions from and additions to the *Pharmacopoeia*, which would be circulated to various bodies for criticism. It had set up panels of reference on various subjects, and was hoping to get in touch with the Pharmaceutical Society on the subject of the *Codex*, a new edition of which was being considered, and which it was hoped would be truly supplementary to the *Pharmacopoeia*, and contain an authoritative description of drugs and preparations which either had never been or had ceased to be in the *Pharmacopoeia*. The report added:

"The subject which at the moment is giving the Commission the greatest concern is that dealing with pharmaceutical work which will require to be done. Statements made in the monographs of drugs to be retained in the *Pharmacopoeia* will require careful revision; in writing monographs of new drugs many statements about them will require verification before they can be accepted. The Commission have not yet before them information as to laboratories, outside those connected with trade, where such work could be done; and to be of any value the work must be done carefully, within a definite space of time, and with due regard to economy. The Commission will, as soon as possible, put forward the plan which in the circumstances seems to it best to fulfil these requirements."

It was added that Dr. Hampshire, the secretary to the Commission, does not officially take up his duties until June, and Dr. Hamill has been acting as secretary and affording invaluable assistance.

On the motion of Dr. DALE a resolution was agreed to stating with what satisfaction the Council had noted that the Pharmacopoeia Commission had taken up its duties and had already made progress in the preparation of the draft of the new *Pharmacopoeia*.

Other Reports.

The report of the Public Health Committee, introduced by Sir JOHN MOORE, stated what examinations had been visited, and dealt with a number of exceptional cases and inquiries from universities.

Sir HOLBURT WARING, in presenting the report of the Finance Committee, mentioned that for the first time since 1911 the Council showed a deficit (£1,285). This was due to the payment of arrears of four years' income tax, together with the costs of the unsuccessful appeal. The financial position of the Council, however, was thoroughly sound.

Dental Business.

The Council agreed to a slight amendment of standing orders to make for more effective working as between itself and the Dental Board in dealing with penal cases.

The Council erased from the *Dentists Register* the name of Harry Patrick Jones, registered as of Aberford Road, Woodlesford, Yorks, "Dentist, 1921." Mr. Jones, at the May session of the Council, 1928, appeared to answer a finding by the Dental Board that he had canvassed for the purpose of procuring patients, and he was put on probation by the Council for twelve months. In the meantime, however, in March, 1929, he was convicted at Leeds assizes of fraudulent conversion of a cheque and also of bigamy, and was sentenced to six months' imprisonment in the second division on each indictment, the sentences to run concurrently.

Elections.

During the session the following elections took place:

Executive Committee.—Sir R. Bolam, Sir G. Newman, Sir H. Rolleston, Sir J. Verrall, Sir H. Waring, Sir H. Young, Sir L. Mackenzie, Dr. Mackintosh, Sir N. Walker, Dr. Dixon, Sir J. Moore, and Mr. Sinclair.

Dental Executive Committee.—The above, with Mr. Dolamore.

Education Committee.—Dr. Brackenbury, Sir F. Buzzard, Mr. Jamieson, Mr. Leathes, Sir G. Newman, Sir H. Rolleston, Mr. Edington, Dr. Mackay, Dr. L. Smith, Dr. Dixon, Dr. Kidd, Mr. Sinclair.

Examination Committee.—Mr. Eason, Dr. Fawcett, Mr. Gamgee, Mr. Monsarrat, Dr. Stopford, Sir H. Waring, Dr. Mackintosh, Mr. Miles, Sir N. Walker, Dr. Coffey, Dr. Johnstone, Sir W. Taylor.

Public Health Committee.—Sir R. Bolam, Dr. Bone, Dr. Le Fleming, Sir G. Newman, Mr. Sheen, Sir J. Verrall, Sir L. Mackenzie, Dr. Russell, Dr. L. Smith, Dr. Kidd, Dr. Magennis, Sir J. Moore.

Pharmacopoeia Committee.—Dr. Bone, Sir F. Buzzard, Dr. Dale, Mr. Leathes, Sir H. Rolleston, Sir H. Waring, Mr. Edington, Dr. Mackintosh, Sir N. Walker, Dr. Kidd, Dr. Magennis, Sir J. Moore.

Penal Cases Committee.—Sir R. Bolam, Mr. Eason, Sir N. Walker.

Dental Education and Examination Committee.—Mr. Guy (Chairman), Mr. Ackland, Mr. Dolamore, Sir H. Waring, Sir N. Walker, Mr. Sinclair, the President (*ex officio*).

Business Committee.—Sir N. Walker (Chairman), Mr. Eason, Mr. Leathes, Dr. Magennis, the President (*ex officio*).

Finance Committee.—Sir H. Waring (Chairman), Sir G. Newman, Sir N. Walker, Dr. Dixon, the President (*ex officio*).

It was also decided to reappoint the Anatomy Acts Committee. The PRESIDENT said that this committee was one which had periods of suspended animation. It seemed as if the present was a suitable time to awaken it. It served a useful purpose in approaching the Government and other public bodies. The following were appointed:

Anatomy Acts Committee.—The President (Chairman), Dr. Fawcett, Mr. Jamieson, Dr. Stopford, Mr. A. Thomson, Sir H. Waring, Dr. Mackay, Sir N. Walker, Dr. Dixon.

Three members of the Dental Board were appointed by the Council, namely, Sir Holburt Waring, Sir Norman Walker, and Mr. Sinclair.

Mr. Leathes was appointed the representative of the Council in place of the late Sir Nestor Tirard on the Advisory Committee set up under Section 4 (2) of the Therapeutic Substances Act.

End of Session.

Professor ARTHUR THOMSON, in proposing a vote of thanks to the President, mentioned that the present was the last occasion on which he (Professor Thomson) would address the Council, after a membership extending over twenty-five years. He paid a warm tribute to Sir Donald MacAlister's great qualities.

Sir DONALD MACALISTER, in response, after speaking of the regret with which the Council would lose the services of so old and experienced a member as Professor Thomson, said that he himself in November next would have completed forty years' service as a member of the Council.

During the whole of the Council's session, which occupied four days, two distinguished visitors, one from the West and the other from the East, occupied seats on the dais, and followed the proceedings with great interest. They were Dr. W. C. Rappley, Director of Studies of the Commission of the American Medical Colleges, and Dr. A. S. Erulkar, physician to the King Edward Memorial Hospital, Bombay.

DISCIPLINARY CASES.

Alleged Canvassing for Patients.

The Council next considered the case of Jacob Lenten, registered as of Station Road, Hadfield, Manchester, who was summoned on the charge that he had canvassed for the procuring of patients, in particular two persons who were named, panel patients of the late Dr. A. P. Walker, for whom he had acted as locumtenent. The complainants were Mrs. Walker and Dr. J. W. Struthers, who were represented by Mr. E. Kingdon, counsel. Dr. Lenten was accompanied by Mr. Lustgarten, counsel.

Mr. Kingdon, in outlining the complaint, stated that on November 7th last Dr. Lenten began to act as locumtenent to Dr. Walker, and on the 23rd of the same month Dr. Walker died. The respondent continued to carry on the practice at the request of the widow until, shortly afterwards, it was sold to Dr. Struthers. On December 12th Dr. Lenten was informed of the sale by Mrs. Walker's solicitors, and was asked to introduce Dr. Struthers to the patients. This he refused to do, and on leaving the practice he left behind him, with one exception, no record of forward appointments. A statutory declaration by one John Robinson, who could not attend owing to illness, was put in, stating that Dr. Lenten, who had been attending him for five weeks, visited him on December 15th, told him he was starting in practice for himself in Station Road, Hadfield, and invited him to transfer to his list. The other witness, who did appear, James Henry Taylor, who had been coachman in Dr. Walker's service, testified that on December 15th Dr. Lenten told him it would be his last visit, and that if he wanted to "go on with him" he must bring his card to Station Road, where he was starting the following week. His reply was that "it would be as well to let people please themselves."

Dr. Struthers said that he agreed to take on Dr. Walker's practice as from January 1st of this year. On December 16th he went to the surgery to look at the list of patients, but found no visits marked forward except one, the case of a moribund old lady. He called on twelve patients whose names he took from Dr. Walker's records, and, with two or three exceptions, was told that Dr. Lenten was the doctor in attendance. Dr. Struthers also produced a large number of insurance cards showing transfers from Dr. Walker's list to Dr. Lenten's. On October 1st Dr. Walker had 965 insured persons on his list for the Derbyshire area and 232 for the Cheshire area. Of these, about 250 in the Derbyshire area and 100 in the Cheshire area had been transferred to Dr. Lenten.

Dr. Lenten, giving evidence on his own behalf, said that he was 25 years of age and had qualified in 1926. On the death of Dr. Walker it was suggested that he should buy the practice, and he agreed to do so on a year's purchase. Then it was mentioned to him that Mrs. Walker desired to sell the house with the practice, and while he was not prepared to buy the house at that moment, he suggested a fair rental for a certain period. It was agreed that before Mrs. Walker sold the practice to anyone else he should have the opportunity of refusal. He was then informed that Dr. Struthers had purchased the practice. He never met Dr. Struthers. When he found the practice had been sold he looked out for a house in Hadfield, and found one of which he took possession five days later. He denied strongly that he had asked the witness Taylor, or anyone, to transfer to him.

Asked by the Legal Assessor the reason for the large number of transfers, he said that some of these people knew him, and had been treated by him when he was acting for Dr. Walker, and the remainder were friends and relations of the others. He had done nothing himself to get them transferred.

Dr. Brackenbury: Why did the respondent settle down in Hadfield where he had been acting as locumtenent?

Respondent: I had been looking for a practice and had to settle somewhere. I thought Hadfield a likely spot.

Dr. Brackenbury: Was it your opinion that there was room for another doctor there?

Respondent: Yes. It was not done with the object of securing patients in Dr. Walker's practice, though when patients came to me I did not refuse them.

Dr. Brackenbury: But you did not settle down there in the hope of that happening?

The President: Well, hope springs eternal. (Laughter.)

Dr. Bone inquired whether any notice was sent from the clerk of the Insurance Committee to the persons on the late Dr. Walker's list. Dr. Lenten replied that a notice was sent that the practice had been transferred to Dr. Struthers, and the patients were given one month in which to change if they wished to do so. Dr. Bone thought the dates were rather material. The Legal Assessor said that most of the transfers appeared to be dated before December 31st. A letter from the clerk to the Derbyshire Insurance Committee to Dr. Struthers was read, in which it was stated that after the usual notice had been sent to the patients on the list the automatic transfer would take place on January 27th. A letter received by Dr. Lenten from the clerk was also read, stating "the cards sent in by you stand in abeyance for fourteen days." Dr. Lenten said that the patients brought the cards to him voluntarily and he sent them in.

Mr. Lustgarten, on behalf of Dr. Lenten, commented on the absence of witnesses. Various persons had been mentioned, but only one was produced. It was a singular thing that although it was suggested that Dr. Lenten canvassed some 350 persons, only one, and he a former coachman of Dr. Walker's, who had been "hanging about" the house for years, should have been forthcoming. The point was that these insured persons had the choice of keeping on with a doctor whom they had known, even if only for six weeks, or of being transferred to another medical man whom they had never seen. An examination of the cards showed that the bulk of the transfers did not take place until January, by which time Dr. Struthers was in full possession of the practice.

Mr. Kingdon, for the complainants, spoke of the difficulty of getting witnesses to come from as far as Manchester. He urged that this was not merely a case of canvassing, but of canvassing by one who was in a position of trust, which was a matter of the utmost gravity. It had been pleaded that Dr. Lenten was a young man, but so was Dr. Struthers, who suffered by this circumstance.

The decision of the Council, announced by the PRESIDENT, was that, after careful consideration, the facts alleged against Dr. Lenten in the Notice of Inquiry had been found not to have been proved to its satisfaction, and this closed the case.

A case postponed from the May session of 1928 was considered—namely, that of Reginald Francis Edmund Austin, registered as of Wimpole Street, against whom the complaint had been found proved that he had sought to attract to himself patients and to promote his own professional advantage by means of an article upon appendicitis published in a certain magazine (see *Supplement*, June 9th, 1928, p. 245).

Major Austin now appeared, put in eight letters testifying to his professional conduct in the interval, and reiterated his undertaking to refrain from advertising in the future.

Having regard to this testimony and assurance, the Council did not see fit to direct the Registrar to erase the name.

Restoration.

After a sitting *in camera* it was announced that the name of William Lovell, M.R.C.S., had been restored to the *Medical Register*.

DENTAL BOARD.

THE final session of the second Dental Board was held on May 8th and 10th, with the Right Hon. Sir Francis Acland, Bt., in the chair.

The Shortage of Dental Students.

The Chairman in his address recounted the assistance which the Board had given to students and to schools. The annual entry to the schools was still only about 250. If the *Register* was to be maintained at its present level (14,600) with this limited annual entry, the average practising life of a dentist must be extended to over 70 years, which, of course, was impossible. An annual entry of well over 500 was needed. Turning to dental health work, he declared that precept was outrunning practice. People were clearly told and clearly understood what they ought to do as regards their own and their children's teeth, but those who could not afford to secure proper treatment for themselves and their children at their own expense, and especially those who lived in the villages and could not spare time for visits to the town and for waiting for treatment at a central hospital, could not carry out the advice proffered. Thanks to the education authorities, the school period was made an island of fairly good, or quite good, treatment. That being so, it was the more regrettable that the surrounding periods should present such vast seas of non-treatment or neglect. The Chairman was disinclined to enter upon the subject of the funds available to approved societies for additional benefits, but he believed that any scheme, however much it might be assisted by additional insurance facilities, would be very much better if it could be worked out and got under way by the dentists themselves.

Discipline.

The Board considered a number of disciplinary cases, most of which related to canvassing, and put certain of the respondents on probation. It was agreed to forward the following to the General Medical Council for its sanction as an addition to the Warning Notice:

"Any dentist who attends patients that have been directed to, or procured for, him or his employers by an approved society or anyone associated with the approved society, on proof of the facts will render himself liable to have his name erased from the *Register*."

Grants for Research.

The Medical Research Council and the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research have been asked to submit for the guidance of the new Board, which meets in November, a résumé of the investigations undertaken on the Board's behalf, the results or deductions arrived at, and, where possible, some indication of expected developments. The Research Committee believes the grants to have been justified, and hopes they may be continued. Under the Medical Research Council investigations are proceeding into the structure, composition, and physiology of normal teeth, the factors influencing dental structure, dental caries, and other pathological conditions, as well as anthropometric and statistical investigations. The Department of Scientific and Industrial Research is conducting researches on dental amalgams.

National Insurance.

LONDON INSURANCE COMMITTEE.

A MEETING of the London Insurance Committee was held on May 23rd.

A report on the Chemists' Fund and the Practitioners' Drug Fund for 1928 was presented. The total payments to chemists during the year amounted to £290,215, and to practitioners in respect of drugs and prescribed appliances to £1,594.

The committee at a previous meeting decided to censure three practitioners, one of them severely, for failure to furnish forms of medical record in respect of insured persons who had been removed from their respective lists, and asked the Minister to withhold a portion of the money payable to the committee in respect of medical benefit with a view to a corresponding deduction from the practitioners' remuneration. It was now

reported that the Minister had decided to withhold £5 from each of two of the practitioners; the third had died in the meantime. In another case in which the committee found that there had been failure to comply with the terms of service the sum of £10 was withheld.

NORFOLK LOCAL MEDICAL AND PANEL COMMITTEE.

AT the April meeting of the Norfolk Local Medical and Panel Committee, with Dr. B. D. Z. WRIGHT in the chair, the question arose whether it was legal for the representative of the Ministry of Health to be present at an investigation by the Panel Committee in cases of alleged excessive prescribing. The deputy clerk of the Norfolk Insurance Committee, in reply to a request for his opinion, stated that if no objection was raised the Panel Committee could allow the presence of the Ministry's representative.

After a discussion of certain difficulties which had arisen in connexion with the mileage scheme, and having listened to the explanation of the deputy clerk of the Insurance Committee, the committee expressed its satisfaction with the present scheme, which it considered to be an accurate method of computation.

The committee agreed to rescind a previous resolution ten years old relating to the payment of travelling expenses of its members, and to pay part travelling expenses as reckoned by the distance one way by road from the doctor's residence to the Norwich Guildhall.

Naval and Military Appointments.

ROYAL NAVAL MEDICAL SERVICE.

Surgeon Commanders T. A. Smyth is placed on the retired list with the rank of Surgeon Captain; W. I. Gerrard to the *President* for Medical Department.

Surgeon Lieutenant Commander M. B. Devane to the *Stuart*, to be accommodated in the *Valentine*.

Surgeon Lieutenants A. L. Moorby to the *Sandhurst*; R. G. L. Proctor to the *Adamant*.

F. L. A. Hughes has entered as Surgeon Lieutenant for short service and appointed to the *Victory* for R.N. Hospital, Haslar.

ROYAL NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE.

Surgeon Lieutenant J. L. Cox to the *Victory* for R.N. Hospital, Haslar.

Surgeon Sublieutenant J. O. Clyde to be Surgeon Lieutenant.

C. Mason has entered as probationary Surgeon Lieutenant and attached to the Tyne Division.

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS.

Major A. E. S. Irvine, D.S.O., to be Lieutenant-Colonel vice Lieut.-Colonel J. T. Johnson, D.S.O., promoted.

Captains to be Majors: G. D. Yates, November 15th, 1926; B. H. C. Lea-Wilson, December 15th, 1926; H. G. Hobson, O.B.E., M.C., June 19th, 1927; J. W. Malcolm, O.B.E., M.C., August 28th, 1927; G. J. McGorty, M.C., April 19th, 1928; C. C. G. Gibson, June 10th, 1928. (Substituted for notifications in the *London Gazette* of November 30th, 1925, December 21st, 1925, June 21st, 1927, September 6th, 1927, April 27th, 1928, June 22nd, 1928, respectively).

Captain J. S. B. Forbes to be Major.

ROYAL AIR FORCE MEDICAL SERVICE.

Squadron Leader G. S. Marshall, O.B.E., to R.A.F. General Hospital, Iraq.

Flight Lieutenants L. Freeman to R.A.F. General Hospital, Iraq; T. J. D. Atteridge to Station Headquarters, Kenley; J. K. R. Landells to R.A.F. Hospital, Cranwell; F. L. White to R.A.F. Training Base, Leuchars; G. W. McAleer to R.A.F. General Hospital, Iraq.

Flight Lieutenant C. T. O'Neill, O.B.E., is promoted to the rank of Squadron Leader.

Flying Officers to be Flight Lieutenants: G. W. McAleer, E. P. Carroll.

Flying Officer J. F. McGovern to R.A.F. General Hospital, Iraq.

RESERVE OF AIR FORCE OFFICERS: MEDICAL BRANCH.

H. C. Smith is granted a commission in Class D.D. as a Flying Officer.

TERRITORIAL FORCE.

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS.

Major R. D. Cran, having attained the age limit, relinquishes his commission.

Captains to be Majors: H. Mather, D. F. Dobson.

Captain J. H. Mellotte resigns his commission.

The announcement regarding Captain J. O. Thomas, M.C., which appeared in the *London Gazette* of May 3rd, 1929, is cancelled.

To be Captains: Lieutenant G. W. Elkington with seniority, June 1st, 1927 (substituted for notification in the *London Gazette*, March 19th, 1929); Lieutenant T. F. Greenhill.

Lieutenant C. C. P. Anning resigns his commission on account of ill health.

To be Lieutenants: B. McK. Dick, W. M. Evans, W. C. Wilson, G. P. Smith, and A. V. Mackenzie, M.C. (late K.S.L.I).

TERRITORIAL ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS: ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS.

Lieutenant V. S. Mitcheson, from active list, to be Lieutenant.

VACANCIES.

BELGRAVE HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN, Clapham Road, S.W.9.—Assistant Physician (male). Honorarium 50 guineas per annum.

BIRKENHEAD GENERAL HOSPITAL.—(1) Honorary Dermatologist. (2) Casualty Surgeon (male); salary £100 per annum.

BOLTON INFIRMARY AND DISPENSARY.—House-Surgeon. Salary £150 per annum.

BRADFORD CITY.—Locumtenent for Bacteriological and Pathological work. Salary £12 12s. per week.

BRADFORD: ROYAL EYE AND EAR HOSPITAL.—Junior House-Surgeon (male). Salary £120 per annum.

CAMBRIDGE: ADDENBROOKE'S HOSPITAL.—(1) Resident Anaesthetist. (2) House-Physician. Males. Salary £180 and £130 per annum respectively. (3) House-Surgeon. Salary at the rate of £130 per annum.

CHESTER ROYAL INFIRMARY.—House-Surgeon (male). Salary £120 per annum.

CUMBERLAND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.—Assistant Dental Officer. Salary £450, rising to £500.

DEVON MENTAL HOSPITAL, Exminster.—Junior Assistant Medical Officer (male, unmarried). Salary £300 per annum, rising to £350.

DEWSBURY AND DISTRICT GENERAL INFIRMARY.—House-Surgeon (male). Salary £200 per annum.

EAST LONDON HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN, Shadwell, E.1.—House-Surgeon (male). Salary £125 per annum.

ELIZABETH GARRETT ANDERSON HOSPITAL, Euston Road, N.W.—Anaesthetist (woman).

EXETER: ROYAL DEVON AND EXETER HOSPITAL.—Assistant House-Surgeon (male). Salary £100 per annum.

GREAT YARMOUTH: GENERAL HOSPITAL.—Junior House-Surgeon (male, unmarried). Salary £100 per annum.

GRIMSBY AND DISTRICT HOSPITAL.—House-Surgeon. Salary £250 per annum.

HEMEL HEMPSTEAD: WEST HERTS HOSPITAL.—Junior Resident Medical Officer. Salary £100 per annum.

HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN, Great Ormond Street, W.C.1.—(1) Part-time Junior Casualty Officer. (2) Resident Medical Officer at the County Branch, Tadworth. Salary £150 and £250 per annum respectively.

HULL ROYAL INFIRMARY.—Lay Radiographer (male).

KENSINGTON, FULHAM, AND CHELSEA GENERAL HOSPITAL.—Casualty Resident Medical Officer. Salary £100 per annum.

KENT AND CANTERBURY HOSPITAL.—Resident Medical Officer (male). Salary £125 per annum.

KIDDERMINSTER AND DISTRICT GENERAL HOSPITAL.—House-Surgeon (male). Salary £150 per annum.

LEICESTER ROYAL INFIRMARY.—Female Medical Officer for Venereal Diseases Department. Remuneration £4 10s. per week.

LIVERPOOL EYE AND EAR INFIRMARY.—House-Surgeon to the Ophthalmic Department.—Salary £100 per annum.

LIVERPOOL HAHNEMANN HOSPITAL.—(1) Stipendiary Medical Officer. (2) Resident Medical Officer. (3) Clinical Assistant to the Ophthalmological Department. Salary for (1) £125 and for (2) £100 per annum.

LONDON FEVER HOSPITAL, Islington, N.1.—Assistant Resident Medical Officer. Salary £250 per annum.

LONDON HOSPITAL, E.1.—Paterson Research Scholar in the Cardiographic Department. Salary £400 per annum.

LONDON TEMPERANCE HOSPITAL, Hampstead Road, N.W.1.—Casualty Officer (male). Salary £120 per annum.

LONDON UNIVERSITY.—External Examiners for 1930 for the First, Second, Final, and Higher Examinations for Medical Degrees.

LOWESTOFT AND NORTH SUFFOLK HOSPITAL.—House-Surgeon (male). Salary £120 per annum.

LUDLOW UNION.—Medical Officer for the Ludlow District and the Ludlow Union Workhouse. Salary combined £250 per annum.

MADRAS: MEDICAL COLLEGE, Vizagapatam.—Professor of Physiology. Pay Rs.700—100 (biennial)—Rs.1,200 a month.

MANCHESTER: ANCOATS HOSPITAL.—Assistant Pathologist (part-time). Salary £150 per annum.

MANCHESTER UNION.—Third and Fourth Junior Resident Assistant Medical Officers at Booth Hall Infirmary for Children. Salary £275 and £250 per annum respectively.

MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY.—Amy Henrietta Worswick Fellowship for the Investigation of Rheumatoid Arthritis. Value £150 for one year.

MINISTRY OF HEALTH.—Medical Officers (women) on the Staff of the Ministry. Salary £600 per annum, rising to £1,100, and also bonus.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE: BABIES HOSPITAL.—Medical Officer, non-resident. Salary £150 per annum.

OLDHAM ROYAL INFIRMARY.—(1) House-Surgeons (*a*) for Women's and Children's Wards; (*b*) for Male Wards; (*c*) for Out-patients and Special Departments. Salary £175 per annum each.

OTAGO HOSPITAL BOARD, University of Otago and Dunedin Hospital, New Zealand.—Resident Surgical Officer (senior). Salary £500 per annum.

PLAISTOW: CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.—Honorary Orthopaedic Surgeon to Out-patients' Department.

POPLAR HOSPITAL FOR ACCIDENTS, E.14.—Second Resident Officer. Salary £175 per annum.

PRINCE OF WALES'S HOSPITAL, Tottenham, N.15.—Honorary Assistant Surgeon to the Ear, Nose, and Throat Departments.

PRISON MEDICAL SERVICE.—Medical Officer (Class II). Salary £350 per annum, rising to £600 and bonus.

QUEEN'S HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN, Hackney Road, E.2.—Surgeon for the Ear, Nose, and Throat Department.

READING: ROYAL BERKSHIRE HOSPITAL.—(1) House-Physician. (2) Casualty and Out-patient Officer. Salary £150 per annum each.

ROYAL FREE HOSPITAL, Gray's Inn Road, W.C.1.—Clinical Assistants in the Medical, Surgical, and Special Departments.

ROYAL WATERLOO HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN AND WOMEN, Waterloo Road, S.E.1.—House-Physician (male). Salary £100 per annum.

ST. ANDREW'S HOSPITAL, Dollis Hill, N.W.2.—Honorary Surgeon for Diseases of the Ear, Throat, and Nose.

ST. HELENS: PROVIDENCE FREE HOSPITAL.—Medical Officer (male). Salary £150 per annum.

SALFORD ROYAL HOSPITAL.—(1) House-Physician. (2) House-Surgeon to Genito-Urinary Department. (3) House-Surgeon to Gynaecological, Aural, and Skin Departments. (4) Casualty House-Surgeon. Salary £125 per annum each.

SALVATION ARMY.—Senior and Junior Resident Medical Officers at the Mothers' Hospital, Lower Clapton Road, E.5. Salary £150 and £60 per annum respectively.

SEAMEN'S HOSPITAL SOCIETY.—(1) Resident Medical Officer at the Albert Dock Hospital. (2) House-Physician and House-Surgeon at Dreadnought Hospital. Salary £110 per annum each and a proportion of fees.

SHROPSHIRE ORTHOPAEDIC HOSPITAL, Oswestry.—Locumtenent House-Surgeon.

SOUTHERN RHODESIA MEDICAL SERVICE.—Government Medical Officer. Salary £500 per annum, rising to £650.

SUDAN GOVERNMENT.—Two Medical Officers for the Sudan Medical Service (unmarried). Pay £E.720 a year, rising to £E.1,200

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL.—Male Assistant Medical Officer. Salary £600, rising to £700 per annum.

SWANSEA HOSPITAL.—House-Physician (male, unmarried). Salary £150 per annum.

TRURO: ROYAL CORNWALL INFIRMARY.—House-Surgeon. Salary £170 per annum.

WEST HARTLEPOOL: CAMERON HOSPITAL.—House-Surgeon. Salary £150 per annum.

WESTMORLAND SANATORIUM, Meathop.—Medical Superintendent (male). Salary £800 per annum, rising to £1,000.

WILLESDEN GENERAL HOSPITAL, N.W.10.—Resident House-Surgeon (male). Salary £100 per annum.

WINCHESTER: ROYAL HAMPSHIRE COUNTY HOSPITAL.—Resident House-Surgeon (male). Salary £150 per annum.

This list of vacancies is compiled from our advertisement columns, where full particulars will be found. To ensure notice in this column advertisements must be received not later than the first post on Tuesday morning.

APPOINTMENTS.

FULLER, F. Holcombe, M.R.C.S.Eng., L.R.C.P.Lond., L.D.S. R.C.S.Eng., Honorary Surgeon to the Sussex Eye Hospital, Brighton.

WATSON, W. N. West, M.D.Glas., Honorary Physician, Royal Infirmary, Bradford.

WOOD, Grace H., M.B., Ch.B.Liverp., D.P.H., Assistant Medical Officer of Health for Bournemouth.

MANSFIELD AND DISTRICT HOSPITAL.—*Consulting Urological Surgeon*: J. Llewellyn Davies, M.B., Ch.B.Camb., F.R.C.S. *Consulting Gynaecological Surgeon*: H. Jordan Malkin, M.D.Lond., F.R.C.S.Ed.

DIARY OF SOCIETIES AND LECTURES.

ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE.

General Meeting of Fellows.—Tues., 5.30 p.m., Ballot for Fellowship.

Section of Dermatology.—Thurs., 4 p.m., Cases.

Section of Obstetrics.—Fri., 8 p.m. Mr. G. F. Gibberd: The Use of Animal Bladders for the Induction of Premature Labour; Professor Cleland and Drs. Dawson, Wallace, and Hackett (Adelaide): Further Notes on Difficult Labour in Australian Aboriginal with Post-mortem Measurements of the Pelvis; Mr. C. D. Read and Mr. Frederick Roques: Some Results of the Surgical Treatment of Pelvic Endometriomata. Cases and specimens.

Section of Otology.—Summer Meeting at Cambridge. Fri., Mr. Lowndes Yates: The Evolution of the Sense of Hearing; Mr. J. S. Tucker: Localization of Sound; Mr. Seccombe Hett, Dr. A. G. Wells, and Dr. Murray Levick: Ionization as a Treatment for Middle-ear Suppuration; Dr. Albert A. Gray: The Application of the Principles of Maximum Stimulation to Clinical Otology; Mr. G. Wilkinson: Demonstration of a Model Resonator, designed to illustrate the Mechanism of the Cochlea. Sat., Mr. M. Vlasto: The Chorda Tympani Nerve in Otology; Mr. C. S. Hallpike: Some Observations on Bone Conduction; Mr. Alex. R. Tweedie: Demonstration of Apparatus for Control of Conversation Test.

Section of Disease in Children.—Sat[illegible] rovincial Meeting at Nottingham.

ROYAL SOCIETY OF TROPICAL MEDIC[illegible] D HYGIENE, 11, Chandos Street, W.1.—Fri., 7.45 p.m., Demonstratio[illegible] 8.15 p.m., Induction of Dr. G. C. Low as president. Paper by Dr. J. [illegible]. Haslam: Some Health Problems of British Guiana. Presentation of Manson Medal to Sir Ronald Ross and Chalmers Medal to Major A. C. Sinton, V.C., I.M.S.

BIRMINGHAM UNIVERSITY.—Wed., 4.30 p.m., William Withering Memorial Lecture by Dr. Charles Singer: Epochs of Medical History.

POST-GRADUATE COURSES AND LECTURES.

FELLOWSHIP OF MEDICINE AND POST-GRADUATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.—M.R.C.P. Course of Lectures at Medical Society of London, 11, Chandos Street, W.C.1: Fee, 10s. 6d. per lecture, payable at lecture. Tues., 8.30 p.m., Diseases of the Thyroid and Pituitary Glands; Fri., 8.30 p.m., Diseases of the Stomach. *British Institute of Radiology*, 32, Welbeck Street, W.1: The Management of Patients Suffering from Cancer of the Breast, Tues., 4.45 p.m.; no fee. *Chelsea Hospital for Women*, Arthur Street, S.W.3: Second week of special course. Afternoons and some mornings; fee, £2 12s. 6d. (half). *City of London Hospital for Diseases of the Heart and Lungs*, Victoria Park, E.2: Second week of all-day course, lectures, special demonstrations, operations; fee, £1 1s. (half). *Royal Westminster Ophthalmic Hospital*, Broad Street, W.C.2: Last week of Special Course; instruction every afternoon, and operations; special lectures three afternoons at 5 p.m.; proportionate fees. Copies of all syllabuses and tickets of admission are obtainable from the Fellowship of Medicine, 1, Wimpole Street, W.1.

NATIONAL HOSPITAL, Queen Square, W.C.1.—Mon., Tues., Thurs., and Fri., 2 p.m., Out-patient Clinics. Mon., 12 noon, The Cerebro-spinal Fluid; 3.30 p.m., Polyneuritis. Tues., 3.30 p.m., Post-traumatic Neuroses. Thurs., 3.30 p.m., Chorea. Fri., 12 noon, Anatomy and Physiology of the Nervous System; 3.30 p.m., Tremor and Rigidity. Operations: Tues. and Fri., 9 a.m.

NORTH-EAST LONDON POST-GRADUATE COLLEGE, Prince of Wales's General Hospital, Tottenham, N.15.—Mon., 2.30 to 5 p.m., Medical, Surgical, and Gynaecological Clinics; Operations. Tues., 2.30 to 5 p.m., Medical, Surgical, Throat, Nose, and Ear Clinics; Operations. Wed., 2.30 to 5 p.m., Medical, Skin, and Eye Clinics; Operations. Thurs., 11.30 a.m., Dental Clinics; 2.30 to 5 p.m., Medical, Surgical, and Ear, Nose, and Throat Clinics; Operations. Fri., 10.30 a.m., Throat, Nose, and Ear Clinics; 2.30 to 5 p.m. Surgical, Medical, and Children's Diseases Clinics; Operations.

ST. PAUL'S HOSPITAL FOR GENITO-URINARY DISEASES, Endell Street, W.C.2.—Wed., 4.30 p.m., The Examination of the Urological Patient. Tea at 4 o'clock.

WEST LONDON HOSPITAL POST-GRADUATE COLLEGE, Hammersmith, W.6.—Mon., 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Genito-urinary Operations, Surgical Ward Visit, Skin Department; 2 to 5 p.m., Operations, Surgical Ward Visit, Medical, Surgical, Eye, and Gynaecological Out-patient Departments. Tues., 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Medical Ward Visit, Electrical Department, Clinical Demonstration; 2 p.m., Operations, Medical, Surgical, and Throat, Nose, and Ear Out-patient Departments. Wed., 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Medical Ward Visit, Children's Department; 2 p.m., Operations, Surgical Ward Visit, Medical and Eye Out-patient Departments. Thurs., 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Neurological Department, Fracture Demonstration; 2 p.m., Operations, Medical, Surgical, Eye, and Genito-urinary Out-Patient Departments. Fri., 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Dental, Skin, and Electrical Departments, Medical Wards, Clinical Demonstration; 2 p.m., Operations, Medical, Surgical, Throat, Nose, and Ear Out-patient Departments. Sat., 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Throat, Nose, and Ear Operations, Medical and Surgical Wards, Children's Medical Department.

LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY CLINICAL SCHOOL ANTE-NATAL CLINICS.—Royal Infirmary: Mon. and Thurs., 10.30 a.m. Maternity Hospital: Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., and Fri., 11.30 a.m.

SHEFFIELD UNIVERSITY POST-GRADUATE CLINICS.—At Jessop Hospital: Tues., 3.30 p.m., Gynaecological Cases. At Royal Infirmary: Fri., 3.30 p.m., Late Complications of Head Injuries.

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Diary of the Association.

JUNE.

14 Fri. Border Counties Branch: County and Station Hotel, Carlisle, 4 p.m. Dr. C. W. Graham on a Retrospect of Medical Practice through Forty Years. Branch Council, 3.30.
Kesteven Division: Abbey House, Grantham, 3 p.m. Annual Report of Council.
Warrington Division: Insurance Committee's Office, 73, Sankey Street, 9.30 p.m.
Willesden Division: Park Royal Hospital, 3.15 p.m., Demonstration of Cases by Dr. W. E. Turner.

18 Tues. Lewisham Division: Town Hall, Catford, S.E., 8.45 p.m. Mr. J. E. R. McDonagh on The Nature of Disease.

19 Wed. Aberdeen Branch: Strathdon, 3.30 p.m. Tea. Excursion to Kildrummy. Dinner, 6.30.
Consett Division: Imperial Hotel, Stanley, 8 p.m.
Dartford Division: Erith District Hospital, 8.15 p.m. Dr. Geoffrey Bourne on Some Clinical Aspects of Cardiac Pain.
Edinburgh Branch: Innerleithen. Business meeting, U.F. Church, 5 p.m.
Hereford Division: 14, St. John Street, Hereford, 3.30 p.m.
Hertfordshire Branch: Golf Handicap Competition, West Herts Golf Course, Watford, noon.

20 Thurs. Brighton Division: Royal Sussex County Hospital, Brighton.
Jersey Division: General Hospital, 8.30 p.m. Lieut.-Colonel P. J. Marett on the Administration of Public Health in Jersey.
Lancashire and Cheshire Branch: Town Hall, Preston, 2.30 p.m. Luncheon at Bull Hotel, Church Street, 1 o'clock.
Portsmouth Division: 365, Commercial Road, Portsmouth, 9.30 p.m.
South Wales and Monmouthshire Branch: Cawdor Arms Hotel, Llandilo, 3 p.m. Dr. David Phillips on "In Past Times." Tea at Drill Hall, 4 o'clock.
Worcestershire and Herefordshire Branch: Worcester General Infirmary, 3 p.m. Dr. Thomas E. Hincks on a Review of Thirty Years of Maternity Practice in a Rural Area.

21 Fri. Metropolitan Counties Branch: B.M.A. House, Tavistock Square, W.C.1, 4.30 p.m. Presidential Address by Dr. Harold S. Beadles on the Conditions under which Medical Practice will be Conducted in the Near Future.

25 Tues. London: Standing Ethical Committee, 2.15 p.m.
Dundee Branch: Medical School, Small's Wynd, Dundee, 8.30 p.m.

26 Wed. Northern Counties of Scotland Branch: Nairn. Annual Meeting.
North Lancashire and South Westmorland Branch: Furness Abbey Hotel, 3.15 p.m. Dr. G. Alexander on Ocular Headaches. Tea.
Surrey Branch: Guildhall, Guildford, 2.15 p.m. Annual Dinner, Lion Hotel, Guildford, 6.30 p.m.

27 Thurs. London: Insurance Acts Committee, 11.30 a.m.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

The charge for inserting announcement of Births, Marriages, and Deaths is 9s., which sum should be forwarded with the notice not later than the first post on Tuesday morning, in order to ensure insertion in the current issue.

BIRTH.

THOMSON.—On June 9th, at 56, Overstrand Mansions, S.W.11, to Sadie, wife of Ian S. Thomson, M.D.—a son.

MARRIAGE.

RUSSELL—MACFARLANE.—On June 6th, 1929, at Colston Parish Church, John Russell, M.B.Glas., Menston-in-Wharfedale, to Ann Macfarlane, Colston.

DEATHS.

APTHOMAS.—On June 9th, Muriel Evelyn, wife of Garth Apthomas, of The Limes, Hall Street, Stockport.

DUNLOP.—On May 31st, 1929, suddenly, while crossing to Ardrossan, Dr. Joseph Dunlop, M.B., Ch.B.Ed., of Rochdale, Lancashire, third son of William J. Dunlop, Bushmills, co. Antrim.

EVANS.—On June 2nd, from apoplexy, at The Laurels, Blackwood, Mon., Annie, beloved wife of Dr. H. T. Evans, J.P. Interred at Bedwellty.

LANGDALE.—On June 4th, 1929, at St. George's, Hurstpierpoint, late of Uckfield, Sussex, Henry Marmaduke Langdale, M.R.C.S., L.S.A., aged 80.

MCHARDY.—On June 5th, 1929, at Broomfields, Nayland, Colchester, Dr. Caroline McHardy, youngest daughter of the late Charles McHardy, Ferryhill, Aberdeen.

MARSH.—On June 6th, 1929, John Hedley Marsh, J.P., surgeon, of Cumberland House, Macclesfield, in his 60th year.

SINCLAIR.—At 14, Queen Street, Kirkwall, on April 8th, George Sinclair, M.D., J.P., aged 74.

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